

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION to recognize Fethullah Gulen for ongoing and inspirational contributions to the promotion of global peace and understanding.

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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

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Whereas, A Turkish scholar, author, poet, preacher, and educational activist, Fethullah Gulen has inspired a worldwide social movement that promotes humanistic values and service and is known as the Hizmet Movement or the Gulen Movement;

Whereas, Based on the principle that each human being is of value, regardless of background, faith, or culture, the Gulen Movement offers a multifaceted approach to seeking world peace; it places strong emphasis on inter-cultural understanding and the embracing of differences; it values compassionate acts of care and concern; and it promotes the importance of education in laying the groundwork for fostering better relationships between diverse populations;

Whereas, The Gulen Movement emphasizes the core concept that peace is a function of tolerance and dialogue; it offers "Living to let others live," as the foundation of a life of altruistic service and calls on the younger generation to combine intellectual enlightenment with spirituality to make the



world a better place;

Whereas, The strength of the universal values promoted by the movement has led to the creation of the Niagara Foundation of Indiana, which promotes academic research as well as grassroots activity as a means to bring about positive social change and dialogue; and

Whereas, Fethullah Gulen and the movement for social justice he inspired are truly deserving of recognition for their impact on our global society; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Senate of the Indiana General Assembly
2 commends Fethullah Gulen for his dedication to working towards a
3 better world through education, service, tolerance, and the free
4 exchange of ideas and extend to him best wishes for success.

5 SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the
6 Secretary of the Senate to Fethullah Gulen and Bilal Eksili.

